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1. A weapons plant and an ordnance depot were located in Alatyr ($58^{\circ}51'N/46^{\circ}36'E$) Chuvash A.S.S.R. * The weapons plant comprised two assembly shops, each 130 x 60 meters, a forge, and various auxiliary buildings. From 1944 to mid-1943 the plant produced 76.2-mm AT guns, submachine guns, rifles, and machine guns. Other sources also indicated the manufacture of light and medium mortars and of 76.2-mm shells. Weapons were reportedly sent directly from the plant to the railroad station. Parts for weapons were allegedly supplied to the plant from the ordnance depot. ** The 5,000 to 7,000 workmen employed at the weapons plant worked in three 8-hour shifts.

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* [REDACTED] Comment. See Annex for sketch indicating the location of these two installations.

** [REDACTED] Comment. It is doubtful that the weapons were sent directly from the plant to the railroad station. According to other information, the weapons first went to the ordnance depot. According to wartime information, this plant was an AT rifle plant and a gun workshop. 900 men were employed in 1941. Though incomplete the report is forwarded as [REDACTED] have not been assigned to this plant since mid-1943.

1 Annex: Sketch of locations in Alatyr

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